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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment Under 37 CFR in response to the Official Action dated June 8, 2006, in the above-identified patent application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees listed in 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-1265.

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Yours very truly,

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Sir or Madam:

This paper is submitted in response to an non-final Official Action mailed on June 8, 2006 which carried a shortened-statutory period for response of three months so that a reply is due by September 8, 2006.

Applicant requests that the following amendments be entered: